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Our Ref.: WhatsApp Voice Note and a picture of Scigrow employee circulating on various social media platforms.	Your Ref.:

**Attention: The Editor** 

**Community of Mangaung Metropolitan Municipality** 

## MEDIA STATEMENT- WHATSAPP VOICE NOTE AND A PICTURE OF SCIGROW EMPLOYEE CIRCULATING ON VARIOUS SOCIAL MEDIA PLATFORMS.

For the past few days, CENTLEC's Call Centre has been inundated with volumes of complaints and queries from members of the community relating to the picture and the voice note of the suspected "fraud star and a criminal" posing as one of our employees working on the Meter Audit programme in Mangaung Municipal area.

As CENTLEC (SOC) Ltd, we are aware of the picture and the voice notes associated with it, however, we can confirm that this gentleman is one of the employees of Scigrow, a company that has been appointed by CENTLEC conduct Meter Audits in Mangaung municipal area. It is regrettable and unfortunate that his picture has been circulated on various social media platforms with false voice note messages, thereby compromising his safety and that of his family.

We appeal to the members of the community to desist from circulating and sharing the picture and voice note messages to avoid unnecessary confusion and panic.

Members of the community who may be suspicious of any foul play or suspected criminal act, are requested to call our offices and verify information regarding the meter audits currently ongoing in various wards of the city at (051) 409 2725, alternatively contact our 24 hours Call Centre at 051 409 2345 or 086 007 6937.

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